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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Annual Report on Households Assisted by the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

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Description: This statistical report is an annual activity required by statute (42 U.S.C. 8629) and Federal regulations (45 C.F.R. 96.92) for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Submission of the completed report is one requirement for LIHEAP grantees applying for Federal LIHEAP block grant funds. States, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico are required to report statistics for the previous Federal fiscal year on the number and income levels of LIHEAP applicants and assisted households, as well as the number of LIHEAP-assisted households with at least one member who is elderly, disabled, or a young child.

The statistical report requires States, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to report on assisted households having at least one elderly person who is homebound; an unduplicated count of assisted households having at least one member who is elderly, disabled, or a young child; and an unduplicated count of assisted households receiving one or more types of LIHEAP assistance.

Insular areas receiving less than \$200,000 annually in LIHEAP funds and Indian Tribal Grantees are required to submit data only on the number of households receiving heating, cooling, energy crisis, or weatherization benefits. The information is being collected for the Department's annual LIHEAP report to Congress. The data also provides information about the need for LIHEAP funds. Finally, the data are used in the calculation of LIHEAP performance measures under the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993. The additional data elements will improve the accuracy of measuring LIHEAP targeting performance and LIHEAP cost efficiency.

Respondents: State Governments, Tribal Governments, Insular Areas, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
Assisted household Report-Long Form	52	1	25	1,300
Assisted Household Report-Short Form	155	1	1	155
Applicant Household Report	52	1	13	676

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,131

Additional Information:

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB Comment:

OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following:

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